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AMENDMENT

In response to the first Office Action dated October 23, 2000 for the above-referenced patent application, the period of time having been extended two (2) months by the enclosed Petition For Extension of Time and requisite fee, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification:

Please replace the section beginning at page 29, line 2 through line 6 with the following rewritten text:

--of results than the other methods mentioned. When HBV6 (SEQ. ID NO: 45) was titrated, significant inhibition was found (FIG. 11). Inhibition was also found to be

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